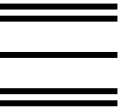


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Dear neighbors,

Our democracy is only healthy when citizens can get informed and involved, and digital government is a great way to give citizens the facts and services they need.

Online government can be better, faster and cheaper than the old days of typewriters and filing cabinets. It's also the best way to cut through red tape and paperwork.

Inside this newsletter is a guide to online services for citizens and business owners. I hope you find it helpful. And if you have any suggestions, please tell me what you think.

I'm interested in your thoughts and ideas, and I hope to hear from you soon.

Respectfully yours,  


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# Guide to Online Government

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### State home page, indexes and search pages

- Washington state home page ..... [access.wa.gov](http://access.wa.gov)
- All state services (alphabetical) .....  
..... [access.wa.gov/government/awsubject.asp](http://access.wa.gov/government/awsubject.asp)
- Find it! Washington ..... [access.wa.gov/search/](http://access.wa.gov/search/)

### Be an informed and active citizen

- Contact your lawmakers or research legislation ..... [www.leg.wa.gov/](http://www.leg.wa.gov/)
- Online voters' guide ..... [www.vote.wa.gov/](http://www.vote.wa.gov/)
- Research laws or regulations ..... [search.leg.wa.gov](http://search.leg.wa.gov)
- Watch floor debates and public events on TVW (our state's version of C-Span) ..... [www.tvw.org/](http://www.tvw.org/)
- How your state services are funded, important facts .....  
..... [www.ofm.wa.gov/faq/ofmfacts.htm](http://www.ofm.wa.gov/faq/ofmfacts.htm)
- Order copies of vital records (certificates of birth, marriage, divorce or death) ..... [www.doh.wa.gov/EHSPHL/CHS/cert.htm](http://www.doh.wa.gov/EHSPHL/CHS/cert.htm)
- Sign up for e-mail newsletters or start your own (topics from A to Z) ....  
..... [listserv.wa.gov](http://listserv.wa.gov)

### Crime, fraud and whistleblowers

- Do a criminal background check ..... <https://watch.wsp.wa.gov/>
- Report fraud ..... [www.lni.wa.gov/fraud/](http://www.lni.wa.gov/fraud/)
- File a whistleblower complaint .....  
... [www.sao.wa.gov/Whistleblower/AbouttheProgram/WBProgram.htm](http://www.sao.wa.gov/Whistleblower/AbouttheProgram/WBProgram.htm)

### Protect yourself as a consumer

- Do consumer research or avoid scams ..... [www.wa.gov/ago/consumer/](http://www.wa.gov/ago/consumer/)
- Report a consumer complaint ..... [www.wa.gov/ago/consumer/forms/](http://www.wa.gov/ago/consumer/forms/)
- File a complaint about insurance .....  
..... [www.insurance.wa.gov/consumers/complaint.asp](http://www.insurance.wa.gov/consumers/complaint.asp)
- Shop around for insurance .....  
..... [www.insurance.wa.gov/default\\_consumers.asp](http://www.insurance.wa.gov/default_consumers.asp)

### Find unclaimed property or buy surplus goods

- Search for unclaimed property or money ..... [ucp.dor.wa.gov](http://ucp.dor.wa.gov)
- Buy surplus property or equipment .... [www.ga.wa.gov/surplus/pubinfo.htm](http://www.ga.wa.gov/surplus/pubinfo.htm)

### For business owners and professionals

- Operating a business in Washington state .....  
..... [www.wa.gov/dol/bpd/operate.htm](http://www.wa.gov/dol/bpd/operate.htm)
- File taxes online ..... [http://dor.wa.gov/apps/elf/elf\\_main.asp](http://dor.wa.gov/apps/elf/elf_main.asp)
- Finance your business ..... [www.oted.wa.gov/ed/bfu](http://www.oted.wa.gov/ed/bfu)
- Professional and occupational licenses .....  
..... [www.dol.wa.gov/main/biglist.htm](http://www.dol.wa.gov/main/biglist.htm)
- Help with environmental permits .....  
..... [www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/sea/pac/index.html](http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/sea/pac/index.html)
- Find a contractor ..... <https://wws2.wa.gov/lni/bbip/contractor.asp>

### Travel

- Live traffic congestion map and camera feeds .....  
..... <http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/PugetSoundTraffic/cameras/>
- Statewide traveler information ..... [traffic.wsdot.wa.gov/](http://traffic.wsdot.wa.gov/)
- Traffic and travel conditions ..... [www.wsdot.wa.gov/traveler.htm](http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/traveler.htm)
- Mountain pass reports ..... [traffic.wsdot.wa.gov/sno-info/](http://traffic.wsdot.wa.gov/sno-info/)
- Rail and transit ..... [www.wsdot.wa.gov/transit](http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/transit)
- Train reservations and tickets ..... [www.wsdot.wa.gov/rail/default.htm](http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/rail/default.htm)
- Commuter page ..... [www.wsdot.wa.gov/choices/](http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/choices/)
- Driver's license renewal information .....  
..... <http://www.dol.wa.gov/ds/dl.htm#renewal>
- Register or renew your vehicle or change the title .....  
..... <https://fortress.wa.gov/dol/tabs/Default.asp>
- Renew your car license tabs ..... <https://wws2.wa.gov/dol/vehtabs/>

### The outdoors

- Reserve a campsite ..... [www.parks.wa.gov/reserve.asp](http://www.parks.wa.gov/reserve.asp)
- Get a hunting or fishing license .... [www.wa.gov/wdfw/faq/licfaq.htm](http://www.wa.gov/wdfw/faq/licfaq.htm)
- State parks ..... [www.parks.wa.gov/](http://www.parks.wa.gov/)
- Recreation and parks ..... [access.wa.gov/government/awrecreat.asp](http://access.wa.gov/government/awrecreat.asp)

### Jobs

- Find a new job ..... [www.go2worksource.com](http://www.go2worksource.com)
- Job resources (big list) .....  
..... [access.wa.gov/employment/awemployment.aspx](http://access.wa.gov/employment/awemployment.aspx)
- File a claim for unemployment benefits ..... [go2ui.com](http://go2ui.com)

# Survey

## Winning the brainpower race and creating good jobs

- 1. What's the biggest problem facing our public schools?
  - ☐ Overcrowded classrooms
  - ☐ Underpaid teachers
  - ☐ Lack of accountability
  - ☐ No prayer in school
- 2. The largest class of high school seniors in our state's history will graduate soon and apply to college – and thousands will get turned away because we don't have room at our colleges and universities. What should we do?
  - ☐ Build more lecture halls and labs
  - ☐ Schedule more night and weekend classes
  - ☐ Charge more tuition so we can build the needed space
  - ☐ Let private colleges do the job
- 3. Microsoft and other high-tech companies want to hire more Washington workers, but our colleges and universities don't produce enough graduates with the right high-tech skills and degrees. What should we do?
  - ☐ Boost the number of graduates in engineering, computer science and biotech
  - ☐ Do a better job of planning and matching the needs of the job market
  - ☐ Cut other college majors to fund more high-tech graduates
  - ☐ Let private colleges do the job
- 4. The state gives tax incentives to many businesses, including for research and development in high-tech businesses. That incentive is about to expire; should the Legislature renew it?
  - ☐ Yes
  - ☐ No
- 5. What issues concern you? Mark as many that apply.
  - ☐ Traffic gridlock
  - ☐ Crime
  - ☐ Pollution
  - ☐ Taxes
  - ☐ Health care
  - ☐ Government regulations
  - ☐ Public schools
  - ☐ Public colleges & universities